

ORDINANCE

CITY OF NEW ORLEANS

CITY HALL: August 20, 2015

CALENDAR NO. 30,910

NO. _____ MAYOR COUNCIL SERIES

BY: COUNCILMEMBER GUIDRY

AN ORDINANCE to amend and reordain Section 154-861 of the Code of the City of New Orleans relative to the normal parking on roadways, to establish an exemption of said requirements when a roadway is officially closed to traffic such that there is only one ingress and egress to the roadway; and to provide otherwise with respect thereto.

WHEREAS, pursuant to Section 154-861(a) generally, parking a vehicle in the same direction of lawful traffic is the safest method for motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians; and

WHEREAS, the City is in the midst of a substantial number of major infrastructure improvement projects that have closed off access to major and minor roadways across the city; and

WHEREAS, additional major road projects are expected through the Federal Emergency Management Agency-funded Recovery Roads program; and

WHEREAS, the City is undergoing a citywide pavement management assessment to provide data to create a comprehensive long-term plan to rebuild and repair interior streets across the city; and

WHEREAS, even small scale infrastructure projects often close off access to major and minor roadways for extended periods of time; and

WHEREAS, these street closures create dangerous conditions that make parking in the same direction of lawful traffic on roadways in which one end is officially closed to traffic unsafe to motorist, bicyclists and pedestrians; and

WHEREAS, at times due to the lack of available driveways and presence of numerous vehicles already parked on the closed off roadway, it is difficult or impossible and dangerous for a driver to attempt to effect a turn that would allow the driver to park the vehicle in the same direction of lawful traffic; and

WHEREAS, in these limited circumstances, parking a vehicle in the opposite direction of lawful traffic is the safest method for motorists, bicyclists and pedestrians; **NOW THEREFORE**

SECTION 1. THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS HEREBY ORDAINS, That Section 154-861 of the Code of the City of New Orleans be and the same is hereby amended and reordained to read as follows:

“Sec. 154-861. Normal parking on roadway.

(a) No person shall stand or park a vehicle on a roadway, other than parallel with the edge of the roadway, headed in the direction of lawful traffic movement and with the right hand wheels of the vehicle within 18 inches of the curb or edge of the roadway, except as otherwise provided in this article.

(b) Notwithstanding subsection (a), a person may stand or park a vehicle on a roadway parallel with the edge of the roadway headed in the opposite direction of lawful traffic movement and with the left hand wheels of the vehicle within 18 inches of the curb or edge of the roadway solely when a section of the roadway is officially closed to traffic such that there is only one ingress and egress to the roadway where the vehicle is stood or parked. This

14 subsection shall apply only to the section of the roadway between the point that it is
 15 officially closed to traffic and the point of the next traversable intersection. A roadway
 16 shall be deemed officially closed to traffic only if the closure is one properly permitted by
 17 the City. This subsection shall not apply to any roadways that have been permanently
 18 designated as one-way.

19 (c) The city council may, after special engineering study, affirmation and recommendation
 20 by the city traffic engineer, designate locations where angular parking will be allowed.
 21 Such locations will be so signed, and no other type of parking will be permitted. The
 22 following locations are designated by the city council for angular parking:

23	Street	Block No.	No. of Spaces
24	Atlanta	5300	14
25	Cambronne	1100	6
26	Cromwell Place	6300	5
27	Euterpe	1600	5
28	Forshey	8200—8400	45
29	Hastings Place	1800	3
30	Henry Clay	200	<u>106</u>
31	Leontine	1600	15
32	Lyons	500	13

33	N. Peters Street	5400	20
34	Perdido	1300 block	
35	S. Salcedo	500	15
36	St. Aloysius Dr.	2200	45
37	Valmont	800	4

ADOPTED BY THE COUNCIL OF THE CITY OF NEW ORLEANS _____

PRESIDENT OF THE COUNCIL

DELIVERED TO THE MAYOR ON _____

APPROVED:
DISAPPROVED: _____

MAYOR

RETURNED BY THE MAYOR ON _____ **AT** _____

CLERK OF COUNCIL

ROLL CALL VOTE:

YEAS:

NAYS:

ABSENT: